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Dr. Jessica Ackert to Discuss Challenges in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Retinal Vasculitis at Salus University Grand Rounds Program

Elkins Park, Pa. – On Friday, April 8 from 7:30 to 8:45 a.m., Jessica Ackert, MD will discuss challenges in the diagnosis and treatment of retinal vasculitis as part of the Salus University Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO) Grand Rounds program at The Eye Institute. Open to local eyecare providers at no charge, the goals of the Grand Rounds program are to develop a network of professionals to share information and strengthen clinical knowledge, to foster professional development in the optometric community and to provide continuing education opportunities.

Currently, Dr. Ackert is a medical director of safety at GlaxoSmithKline. She was previously an assistant professor in the Department of Ophthalmology at Drexel College of Medicine and Mount Sinai Medical Center.

Dr. Ackert is a member of several professional organizations, including the Association of University Professors of Ophthalmology, American Academy of Ophthalmology and Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology.

Dr. Ackert graduated magna cum laude from New York University with a bachelor’s degree in neuroscience and earned a Doctor of Medicine degree from the New York University School of Medicine. She completed a medical internship at St. Luke’s – Roosevelt Hospital Center; an ophthalmology residency at Mount Sinai Hospital; and a uveitis/ocular immunology fellowship also at Mount Sinai Hospital.

For more information on the Salus University PCO Grand Rounds program, contact Anna Saracino at 215.276.6158 or asaracino@salus.edu.

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